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**Bills Committee on
Accreditation of Academic and Vocational Qualifications Bill**

**Minutes of meeting
held on Friday, 7 April 2006 at 10:45 am
in Conference Room A of the Legislative Council Building**

Members present : Hon TAM Yiu-chung, GBS, JP (Chairman)
Hon Margaret NG
Hon LEUNG Yiu-chung
Hon SIN Chung-kai, JP
Hon Jasper TSANG Yok-sing, GBS, JP
Hon Andrew CHENG Kar-foo
Hon LI Fung-ying, BBS, JP
Hon Tommy CHEUNG Yu-yan, JP
Hon Andrew LEUNG Kwan-yuen, SBS, JP
Hon LEUNG Kwok-hung
Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG Chiu-hung
Hon WONG Ting-kwong, BBS

Members absent : Hon LEE Cheuk-yan
Hon CHAN Yuen-han, JP
Hon Vincent FANG Kang, JP
Dr Hon Joseph LEE Kok-long

Public Officers attending : Mr Edward YAU
Deputy Secretary for Education and Manpower

Mr Daniel CHENG
Principal Assistant Secretary for Education and Manpower

Ms Rebecca PUN
Member of Qualifications Framework Core Group

Mr Thomas WU
Assistant Secretary for Education and Manpower

Ms Leonora IP
Senior Government Counsel
Department of Justice

Mr Peter CHEUNG
Executive Director
Hong Kong Council for Academic Accreditation

Ms Connie LOK
Senior Registrar
Hong Kong Council for Academic Accreditation

Clerk in attendance : Mrs Sharon TONG
Chief Council Secretary (2)1

Staff in attendance : Mr Stephen LAM
Assistant Legal Adviser 4

Mr Raymond LAM
Senior Council Secretary (2)5

I. Meeting with the Administration

The Bills Committee deliberated (index of proceedings attached at **Annex**).

2. The Bills Committee requested the Administration to –
 - (a) consider specifying a tenure for subject specialists;
 - (b) consider establishing channels for recruitment of subject specialists other than by invitation;
 - (c) provide information on the proportion of employers and practitioners among the subject specialists; and
 - (d) consider allowing labour unions to issue evidence of years of working experience to workers applying for Level 3 qualifications under the Recognition of Prior Learning.

II. Date of next meeting

3. The Bills Committee agreed that the next two meetings would be held on 16 May 2006 at 8:30 am and 26 May 2006 at 8:30 am to continue discussion with the Administration.

4. The meeting ended at 12:50 pm.

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**Proceedings of meeting of the
Bills Committee on
Accreditation of Academic and Vocational Qualifications Bill
on Friday, 7 April 2006 at 10:45 am
in Conference Room A of the Legislative Council Building**

Time marker	Speaker	Subject(s)	Action Required
000000 – 000548	Chairman	Opening remarks; relevant papers	
000549 – 002730	Chairman Hon LI Fung-ying Admin	Administration's response to issues raised at the Bills Committee meeting on 17 March 2006 (LC Paper No. CB(2)1601/05-06(01)); whether labour unions would be allowed to attest the number of years of experience of members for Levels 1 and 2 of the Qualifications Framework (QF); allowing labour unions to issue evidence of years of working experience to workers applying for Level 3 qualifications; whether licence or qualification obtained in the Mainland would be recognised as basis for proving possession of the relevant competencies	Admin to consider allowing labour unions to issue evidence of years of working experience to workers applying for Level 3 qualifications under the Recognition of Prior Learning
002731 – 004945	Hon LEUNG Yiu-chung Chairman Hon Margaret NG Hon Andrew LEUNG Admin	Whether more forms of assessment, such as interviews, skill demonstrations and practical examinations, should be provided for recognition of competency for Levels 1 and 2 of QF	
004946 – 005328	Chairman Admin	Role of subject specialists (LC Paper No. CB(2)1601/05-06(02)); whether subject specialists were aware that they had been enlisted by the Hong Kong Council for Academic Accreditation	

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005329 – 005938	Hon LI Fung-ying Admin	Whether the membership list of accreditation panels could be provided to the Bills Committee; whether resistance would be experienced in the accreditation of long established training courses	
005939 – 010950	Hon WONG Ting-kwong Hon Jasper TSANG Admin Hon LEUNG Yiu-chung	Whether participation in training workshops for subject specialists were compulsory; membership size of accreditation panels; proportion of academic and vocational experts in accreditation panels; tenure for subject specialists; channels for recruitment of subject specialists	Admin to consider specifying a tenure for subject specialists; to consider establishing channels for recruitment of subject specialists other than by invitation
010951 – 011537	Hon LEUNG Yiu-chung Chairman Admin	Proportion of employers and practitioners among the subject specialists	Admin to provide information on the proportion of employers and practitioners among the subject specialists
011538 – 011651	Chairman	Continuing discussion on the Administration’s paper entitled “Response to the Concerns of the Bills Committee on the Establishment of a Qualifications Framework and its associated Quality Assurance Mechanism”	
011652 – 011835	Admin	Briefing on paragraphs 15 to 19 of the Administration’s paper entitled “Response to the Concerns of the Bills Committee on the Establishment of a Qualifications Framework and its associated Quality Assurance Mechanism” (LC Paper No. CB(2)1374/05-06(03))	

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011836 – 013253	Chairman Hon LEUNG Yiu-chung Hon SIN Chung-kai Chairman Hon LI Fung-ying Admin	Whether the generic (foundation) competency requirements for QF Levels 1 to 4 would be removed; mechanism for the development of the draft specification of generic competency standards for different industries	
013254 – 013415	Chairman Admin	Briefing on paragraphs 20 to 23 of the Administration’s paper entitled “Response to the Concerns of the Bills Committee on the Establishment of a Qualifications Framework and its associated Quality Assurance Mechanism” (LC Paper No. CB(2)1374/05-06(03))	
013416 – 013914	Hon LI Fung-ying Admin Chairman	Recognition of training courses provided by the Employees Retraining Board and other statutory bodies under QF	
013915 – 015157	Hon LEUNG Yiu-chung Chairman Hon WONG Ting-kwong Admin	Whether quality assurance in respect of vocational training should be undertaken by the Employees Retraining Board	
015158 – 015300	Chairman	Paragraphs 24 to 26 of the Administration’s paper entitled “Response to the Concerns of the Bills Committee on the Establishment of a Qualifications Framework and its associated Quality Assurance Mechanism” (LC Paper No. CB(2)1374/05-06(03))	

Time marker	Speaker	Subject(s)	Action Required
015301 – 020002	Hon LI Fung-ying Admin	Role of representatives of labour unions in Industry Training Advisory Committees	
020003 – 020202	Chairman	Dates of subsequent meetings	

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